

# **Jacob A. Arlow Papers**

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## Collection Summary

**Title:** Jacob A. Arlow Papers

**Span Dates:** 1923-2004

**Bulk Dates:** (bulk 1972-1992)

**ID No.:** MSS85369

**Creator:** Arlow, Jacob A.

**Extent:** 4,000 items ; 17 containers plus 1 oversize ; 8 linear feet

**Language:** Collection material in English

**Location:** Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

**Summary:** Psychoanalyst, educator, and author. Correspondence, family papers, lectures and writings, notes, subject files, patient records, photographs and slides, newspaper clippings, printed matter, and other material relating chiefly to Arlow's work as a psychoanalyst.

## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### People

Arlow family.

Arlow, Jacob A.

### Subjects

Conflict (Psychology)

Empathy--Psychological aspects.

Fantasy--Psychological aspects.

Myth--Psychology.

Psychoanalysis--Periodicals.

Psychoanalysis.

Psychoanalytic theory.

Reconstruction (Psychoanalysis)

Time--Psychological aspects.

### Titles

*Psychoanalytic quarterly.*

### Occupations

Authors.

Educators.

Psychoanalysts.

## Administrative Information

### Provenance

The papers of Jacob A. Arlow, psychoanalyst, educator, and author, were given to the Library of Congress in 2007 by Sheldon Goodman.

### Transfers

Two sound recordings have been transferred to the Library's Motion Picture, Broadcasting, and Recorded Sound Division where they are identified as part of the Jacob A. Arlow Papers.

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## Preferred Citation

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## Biographical Note

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1912, Sept. 3	Born, New York, N.Y.
1932	B.S., New York University, New York, N.Y.
1936	M.D., New York University, New York, N.Y. Married Alice Diamond (died 2003)
1936-1938	Intern, Harlem Hospital, New York, N.Y.
1938-1939	Resident neuropsychiatrist, U.S. Public Health Service Hospital, Ellis Island, N.Y.
1939-1940	Resident psychiatrist, Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn, N.Y.
1940-1941	Resident psychiatrist, New York State Psychiatric Institute and Hospital, New York, N.Y. Resident, Montefiore Hospital, Bronx, N.Y.
1940-1945	Consultant psychiatrist, Pride of Judea Children's Home, Brooklyn, N.Y.
1942-1944	Assistant neurologist, Montefiore Hospital, Bronx, N.Y. Instructor of Neurology, Columbia College Physical and Surgical, New York, N.Y.
1942-1992	Private practice, New York, N.Y.
1947	Graduate, New York Psychoanalytic Institute
1947-1951	Instructor of Psychiatry and Psychosomatic Service of Psychoanalytic Clinic for Training and Research, Columbia College Physical and Surgical, New York, N.Y.
1948-1950	Lecturer, New York Psychoanalytic Institute, New York, N.Y.
1952-1955	Clinical Assistant Professor of Psychoanalytic Medicine, State University of New York College, New York, N.Y.
1956	Published <i>The Legacy of Sigmund Freud</i> . New York: International Universities Press

1962-1979	Clinical professor, State University New York College of Medicine at New York City, New York, N.Y.
1964	Published with Charles Brenner <i>Psychoanalysis, Scientific Method and Philosophy</i> . New York: International Universities Press
1972-1979	Editor, <i>Psychoanalytic Quarterly</i>
1973	Editor, <i>Selected Writings of Bertram D. Lewin, M.D.</i> New York: <i>Psychoanalytic Quarterly</i>
1979-2004	Clinical professor, New York University, New York, N.Y.
1984-2004	Private practice part-time, Great Neck, N.Y.
1991	Published <i>Psychoanalysis: Clinical Theory and Practice</i> . Madison, Conn.: International Universities Press
2004, Nov. 16	Died, Great Neck, N.Y.

## Scope and Content Note

The papers of Jacob A. Arlow (1912-2004) span the years 1923-2004, with the bulk of the material from 1972 to 1992. Through his teaching, lectures, and writings, Arlow helped form the core of modern psychoanalytic theory. He was known for expanding upon the theories of Sigmund and Anna Freud and for his own work in exploring how unconscious fantasies influence how individuals perceive reality. He thought that fantasies were a “constant feature of mental life” and represented a “secret rebellion against reality.” The collection includes correspondence, memoranda, family papers, lectures and writings, notes, subject files, patient records, photographs and slides, newspaper clippings, and printed matter relating chiefly to Arlow’s work as a psychoanalyst. The papers are in English.

The majority of the papers is comprised of lectures and writings by Arlow. His lectures and writings focus on different aspects of psychoanalytic theory and include papers that were never published. Topics featured are time, fantasy and myth, empathy, conflict, and reconstruction. Also included with these files are a few of Arlow’s commencement addresses. The correspondence relates to Arlow’s professional interests and his tenure as editor of the *Psychoanalytic Quarterly*. The subject files reflect his participation as an officer and member of various organizations and institutions. Also included are files documenting his education and medical training and various awards and honors that he received during his lifetime.

## Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged alphabetically by type of material and therein either chronologically or alphabetically.

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